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FIRST NEW CROP PRAIRIE HAY RECEIVED AT KANSAS CITY SHOWS ORDINARY QUALITY.

Kansas City Market

The first new crop prairie of the 1940 season arrived at Kansas City during the past week, one car being received June 19, followed by a second car on June 24, according to the Agricultural Marketing Service. Both lots were from eastern Kansas. Quality was rather ordinary, the first lot grading down because of excessive foreign material and the second being out of condition due to rain damage. Local interest in the new hay was virtually lacking. The first lot was diverted on an outside order, and the second lot remained on team track at the close of the week. Three lots of old crop prairie carried over into the early part of the week from the week before were disposed of to local merchandisers and Army contractors. They graded No. 2 and brought $8.50 per ton.

Interior Producing Point Markets

A few truck loads of prairie moved from the Iola district of eastern Kansas to Osawatomie, Olathe and Kansas City during the week, one load to the latter destination being new crop and delivering at $8 per ton. Yates Center reported a few loads of new prairie to Wichita, truckers paying $5 per ton at the baler. Some new crop hay barned during the week, was reported by trade interests to be of ordinary quality, due to improper curing and excessive foreign material. A new 250-ton hay barn was being constructed at Colony.

Due to the late, dry spring, the prairie hay crop in the Platte Valley of Nebraska will be very light this season, according to trade reports. Some estimates place the prospective outturn at about 50% of normal. Oklahoma pastures and ranges have improved since recent rains, and sufficient stock water is now available in all parts of the state.

Current quotations at Kansas City, basis U. S. Standards, are as follows:

UPLAND PRAIRIE
(Per ton)

No. 1	$8.50-9.00	No. 3	$5.50-7.50
No. 2	8.00-8.50	Sample	4.00-5.50

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